



# St. Hedwig Church

408 S. Harrison Street, Wilmington, Delaware, 19805

## Parish Office

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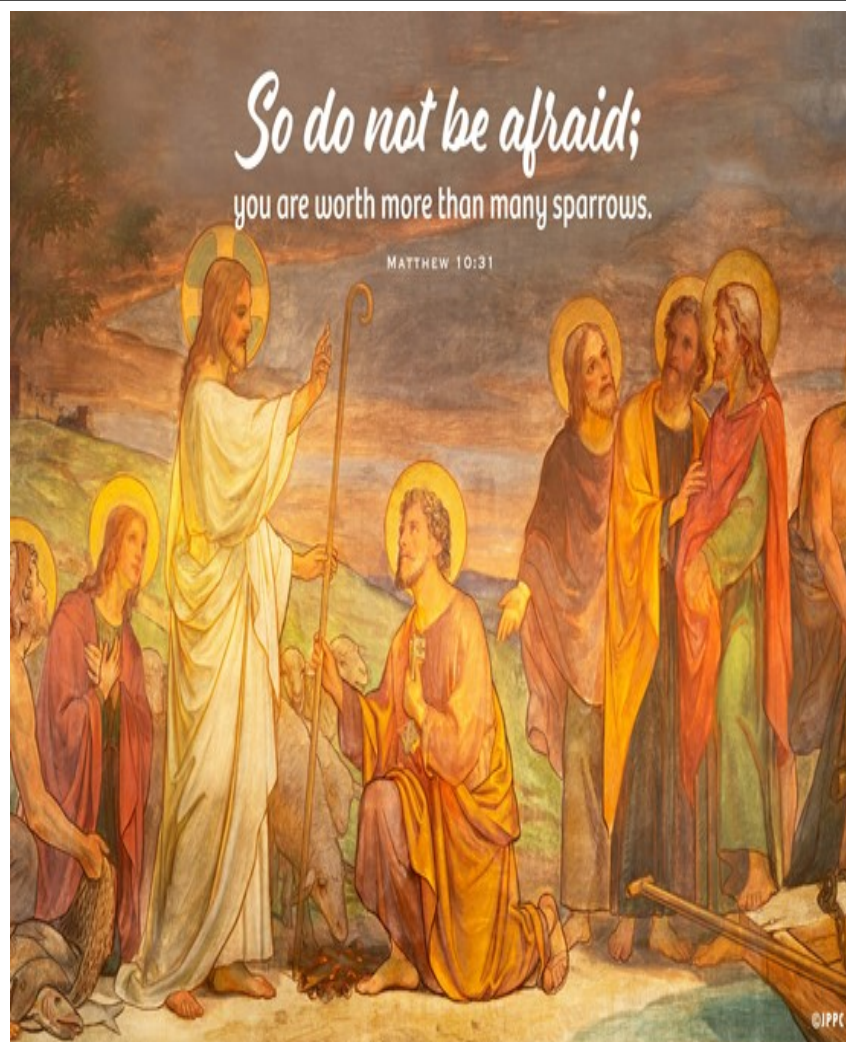
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June 25, 2023 † Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time †



**Fr. Andrew Molewski**  
Pastor

**Fr. Julian Kaczowka, SChr**  
Assistant Pastor

**Deacon Ray Zolandz**

## Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m. (Polish)

4:00 p.m.

**Holy Days:** see website & bulletin

**First Friday:** 6:30 p.m.

Purgatorial Society Mass

**Adoration:** Sunday 3-4:00 p.m.

## Weekday Mass Schedule

(in Saint Pope John Paul II Chapel)

Monday - Friday 6:30 p.m.

(Adoration 5:30-6:25pm each evening)

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confession on Saturday: 3:00-3:45 p.m.  
and on weeknights before Mass

## Parish Office Business Hours

Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday Evening

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## ***St. Hedwig Church welcomes you ...***

*We the faithful of Saint Hedwig Parish, a Catholic Community, are committed to living and sharing the Gospel values as disciples of Jesus Christ, celebrating our lives together around the table of the Eucharist and other sacramental times during our journey of faith.*



## † Słowo Proboszcza †

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The reading from Jeremiah is part of his longer sixth lament (Jeremiah 20:7–18), in which the prophet first accuses God of seducing him and making him a laughingstock (v.7). Jeremiah vows not to speak in God's name. But God's word rages as fire in his heart, and Jeremiah cannot hold it in (v.9). Our reading opens with "terror on every side," as those who were Jeremiah's friends now and seek to attack him (v.10). Despite his fear, Jeremiah is confident of God's presence and God's vengeance (vv.11-12). The reading concludes with Jeremiah's song of praise, reminiscent of the Song of the Sea (Exodus 15:21).

For Paul, Adam signifies the origin of sin in the world, while Christ, as the new Adam, is the antidote (1 Corinthians 15:45; Romans 5:17). Paul understands sin in the singular. It is the pervasive malevolent power that causes humanity to revolt against God. The consequence of sin is death. "But the gift is not like the transgression" (Romans 5:15). Where Adam's disobedience led to death, Christ's complete obedience—even unto death—leads to life. The Letter to the Romans likely was addressed to a primarily Gentile audience, who though not under "the Law" (Romans 5:12), were also subject to Adam's sin (Romans 2:14-15).

Matthew Chapter 10 opens with the selection of the Twelve (vv.1-4) and their commission to proclaim to Israel that the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Only here are the twelve called "apostles" in the Gospel of Matthew (v.2). But the mission comes with a caveat. Jesus announces the coming persecutions (vv.16-23). Then, as our reading opens, Jesus consoles his disciples: "Fear no one" (Matthew 10:26). What is secret (the coming reign of God) and given to them in darkness, the disciples are charged to proclaim and "speak in the light" (Matthew 10:27). In a series of sayings (likely from the Q source shared with Luke), Jesus exhorts his disciples and assures them of God's protection. "Do not be afraid: you are worth more than many sparrows" (v.31).

God bless,  
Fr. Andrew

Kochani Parafianie,

Zaczyna się dzisiejsza lektura Słowa Bożego od narzekan proroka Jeremiasza na kruchosc, niedoskonalosc ludzkiej przyjazni. "Wszyscy zaprzyjaznieni ze mna wypatruja mojego upadku". Swoja droga, musial Jeremiasz wyjatkowo nie miec szczescia do przyjaciol! Zdarzaja sie przeciez, po dzien dzisiejszy, przyjaznie piekne, dlugotrwele, prawdziwe. Ale ich wartosc ukazuje sie przede wszystkim w chwilach trudnych. Prawdziwych przyjaciol poznaje sie w biedzie. Otoz prorok znajdowal sie w biedzie. Rzucano na niego rozne oszczerstwa. Popadl w nielaski u moznych tego swiata. W takich sytuacjach wielu mowi sobie: lepiej trzymac sie od takiego z dala! Tymczasem kazdy czlowiek jest ze swej natury istota spoleczna. Przyjazn jest nam potrzebna jak pozywienie do normalnego zycia.

W sytuacjach bolesnego opuszczenia przez bliskich i przyjaciol zawsze pozostaje to, czym ratowal sie Jeremiasz, mowiac: "Pan jest przy mnie jako potezny mocarz". A do dawnych, rzekomych przyjaciol tez nie mozna miec zalu w nieskonczonosc. Po prostu nie zdali egzaminu. Ale zwatpic w nich calkowicie nie mozna. Pan tez przeciez nie chce smierci grzesznika.

Szczesc Boze,  
Ks. Julian

**ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE.** As of June 14th the parish has achieved approximately 84% of its goal of \$25,000. We thank all those who have contributed to date. Donations can still be made, enabling us to reach our goal and helping the Diocese to help those in need.

*Did you know? The Faith and Charity Catholic appeal supports our Office of Vocations in the Diocese of Wilmington. A special call to shine the light of Christ is through the work of the Office of Vocations. This office encourages, nurtures, and guides individuals who will serve our communities as Priests, Brothers, Sisters, Deacons, and lay ministers. Your support of the Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal helps us care for our people's needs and ensure the next generation of faith-filled leaders.*



Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. or more information, visit [www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html](http://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html)

# Weekly Collection

## Every penny counts!



Thank you for your contribution - big and small!

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**  
**June 11, 2023**

Offertory Envelopes - \$2,611.00  
& Special Collections - \$495.00



## WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. HEDWIG



We invite you for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Saint John Paul II Chapel, Monday-Friday evenings from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Confessions are heard during Adoration. Holy Mass begins at 6:30 p.m. During Eucharistic Adoration, we “watch and wait”, we remain “silent” in His Presence and open ourselves to His Graces which flow from the Eucharist. Come and pray!



*Thank you to all who have made donations to the Parish Food Drive. We greatly appreciate your generosity. May God continue to bless you!*



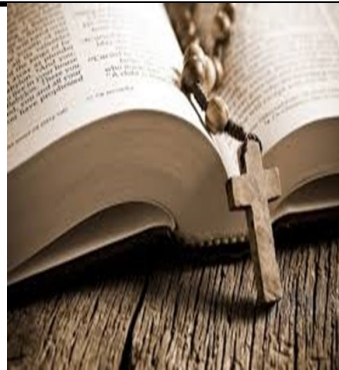
PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DEPARTED THIS LIFE DURING THE MONTHS OF MAY & JUNE

Theresa S. Starr

May 31

Wojciech Michalski

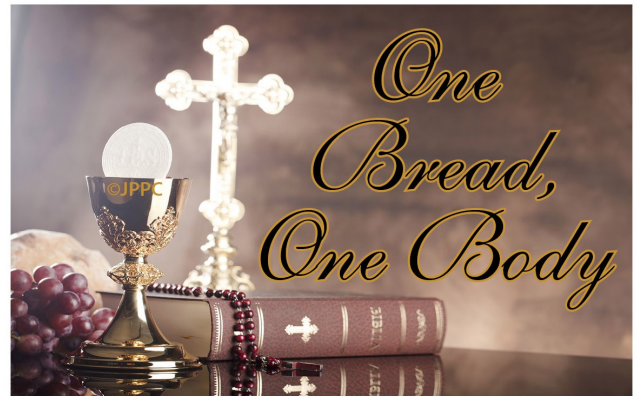
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### PRAYER GROUP

Every Thursday evening in the parish hall, immediately following the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

Join us for Mass, then stay and pray! All are welcome!



***This is My Blood***



### PRAY FOR THE SICK

Remember and Pray for all who are sick in our parish and community.

Remember and Pray for all who have departed this life.

Father Andrew, Katie, Joe Rybaltowski, Fran Golden, John Yasik, Bri Iacona, Rosalie Wilner, Mary Ann Romano, Anna Kaminska, Wanda Weikel, Aleksander Bielecki, Sharon Kozlowski, Cindy, Dot, Joe, Hanna, Terry, Lori Weikel, Erin Rathmanner, John & Sally Sitek, John & Marie Larouche, Jack & Kathy McDermott, Rudolf Wolanin, Josephine Szczerba, Emma Kozlowski, Francis Lally, Joy Deluchia, John W. Foskey, Sr., Gail Hawke, Sandra Boom, Phil Hill and Frank Kucharski

**HEAL THEM O LORD!**

**“If you knew how much I love you you’d cry for joy”**



Medugorje



### ***42nd Anniversary of Our Lady Queen of Peace***

**St. Hedwig Church—Sunday, June 25, 2023**

3pm Holy Hour

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Rosary, Consecration to Jesus and Mary, Confession

4pm Holy Mass

More information: Linda at [ourladyinblue@gmail.com](mailto:ourladyinblue@gmail.com) or (302) 373-3405

## Masses For The Week



### Saturday, June 24, 2023

8am Margaret Richardson  
Int. Eileen Siter

4pm Edward Stachow  
Int. Joanne Proszowski

### Sunday, June 25, 2023

9am Irene Hojnicky  
Int. Joe & Peggy Mack & Family

11:30am Janina Bajorek  
Int. Czeslawa Sawicki

4pm 42nd Anniversary of Our Lady Queen  
of Peace of Medjugorje  
Int. Linda Prince

### Monday, June 26, 2023

6:30pm Jerry Ireland  
Int. Stanley & Janice Zgleszewski

### Tuesday, June 27, 2023

6:30pm Birthday Blessings (Living)  
Frank & Kristen Riggiano  
Int. Family

### Wednesday, June 28, 2023

6:30pm Edward Czarnecki  
Int. Dorothy Zaremba & Son, Edward, Jr.

### Thursday, June 29, 2023

6:30pm Holy Souls in Purgatory  
Int. Therese

### Friday, June 30, 2023

6:30pm Bernadette Czarnecki  
Int. Therese

### Saturday, July 1, 2023

8am Stella Mondzelewski  
Int. Daughter, Linda

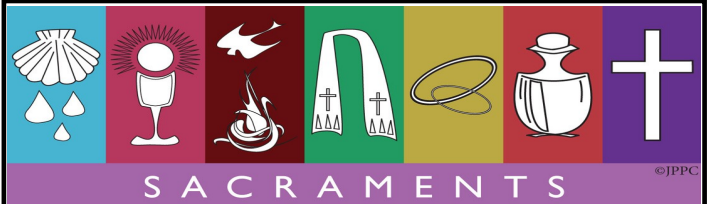
4pm Barry Deleski  
Int. Christine & Steve Paraskewich

### Sunday, July 2, 2023

9am Edward Czarnecki  
Int. Linda

11:30am George Wykpisz  
Int. Patricia Wykpisz

4pm John J. Gaworski, Sr.  
Int. Mary Gaworski



**Sacrament of Baptism:** Call the Parish Office during office hours to make arrangements for Baptism.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Engaged couples should call the Parish Office so that the proper preparation may be made at least one year in advance of the planned wedding date.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** One-half hour before daily Mass in the Chapel, Monday—Thursday and on Saturday from 3:00– 3:45 p.m. in Church; or by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick and the Eucharist:** Please call the parish office to arrange for Communion, Confession, and/or Anointing of the Sick. Parishioners who are planning surgery should contact the priest to receive the Anointing of the Sick before the surgery.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):** All adults who are discerning readiness to join the Catholic Church and are interested in becoming Catholic or completing their sacraments should call the Parish Office. All are welcome.

**Religious Education Classes (CCD):** Children not attending Catholic School are educated in the faith through our Religious Education Program. Please contact the Office of Religious Education and leave a message at 594-1400 Ext. 4.

## † Sanctuary Lamp †



signifying the Eucharistic Presence  
of Our Lord Jesus Christ,

will burn this week

In Memory of

John Rambo

as requested by

Eileen Siter



# MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- Monday thru Friday - Eucharistic Adoration, St. John Paul II Chapel 5:30-6:30pm.
- Family Mass - 9:00am first Sunday every month.
- Rosary Mass - 8:30am first Sunday after the first Friday every month.
- Confessions - Every evening during Adoration & 1/2 hour before Masses.
- Blessing of Religious Articles - Second weekend of each month after all Masses.
- Healing of the Sick - Third weekend of each month after 4pm Sunday Mass.
- Prayer Group - Meeting every Thursday after 6:30pm Mass.
- Flame of Love - Meets the 2nd & 4th Saturday after 4pm Mass in Gulch Hall
- Knights of Columbus - Meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. John Lagowski is the Grand Knight his phone # is: 302-992-0309
- June 24th-The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- June 25th—42nd Anniversary of Our Lady Queen of Peace of Medjugorje  
3pm— Holy Hour, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary, Consecration to Jesus & Mary, Confession  
4pm-Holy Mass
- June 29th— Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles
- July 1st—First Saturday



## WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?

R.C.I.A. is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. The program is open to people 16 years of age or older. Have you been worshipping with us, but never officially took the step to become Catholic?

Have you been a Catholic all your life, but never celebrated all the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation? Have you been away from the church, returned and would like to know more about the Catholic Church? If any of these questions apply to you, you might want to consider participating in the R.C.I.A. process. Or, if you know of anyone who could answer yes to any of these questions, perhaps you could extend an invitation to them. If you are interested and have questions, or would like to register, please call the rectory office at (302)594-1400, ext. 0. R.C.I.A. classes are held one evening each week at 7:15 p.m. in the parish rectory and will begin in late November. There is no cost for the program and all materials will be provided. We welcome everyone to the program.

**The Little Sisters of the Poor**, a nursing home which serves low-income seniors located at 185 Salem Church Road in Newark, is seeking volunteers. Flexible schedule available: Volunteer once a month, once a week, or more.

Help is needed with breakfast, lunch or dinner, driving to medical appointments, kitchen prep work, folding laundry, cleaning the chapel, photography, and more.

For information, please contact Sandra Cloutier, Director of Volunteers, volnewark@littlesistersofthepoor.org or 302.368.5886, Ext. 137



Join Bishop Koenig and fellow pilgrims for the Diocesan Annual Marian Pilgrimage to be held at the Basilica of the **National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C on Saturday, October 7, 2023**, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

St. Hedwig's Church wants to plan a bus trip to the Basilica, and would like to know how many may be interested in going. Please contact the office for more information, 302.594.1400, Ext. 0 or email [sthedwigchurch@comcast.net](mailto:sthedwigchurch@comcast.net)



*Millions of Monicas - Many people have children who are struggling to embrace their Catholic faith or have left the church entirely. The Millions of Monicas prayer ministry supports mothers in this situation. Following the example of St. Monica, these mothers come together weekly to persevere in prayer for the children's joyful return to full unity with the Catholic Church. Meetings are held every Monday from 6:30- 7:30pm at St. Patrick's Church, 1414 North King Street, Wilmington. For more info:*

[www.millionsofmonicas.com](http://www.millionsofmonicas.com)